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EARLY BREAK IN BOTTLENECKS SEEN

Sprague Employees Respond Generously . . .

Fund To Sponsor Group Of School Children in Holland Raised in Four Collections.

The Log Social Committee feels the collections taken up throughout the plants for the "Save the Children" fund was a "landslide". In four collections, the sum of \$381.50 was realized. The typical Sprague Spirit of fellow feeling and charity was once again demonstrated.

As you observe the picture of the little girl on this page, a feeling of pride should envelop you. It is children such as she, whom you, the employees of the Sprague Electric Company are sponsoring. As the frail and emaciated bodies are strengthened, as fear and distrust is driven from their minds and hearts, then perhaps, they will smile and play again like our children in America.

Contact with the Head Master and pupils of the school is being established and a word from them should be received within the next six weeks. Through the medium of the Log, the employees will be advised and all letters received will be printed.

Congratulations and thanks to all; your co-operation was splendid and the Log Social Committee is proud and honored to represent you.

—M. Mathews, Chairman

Cafeterias And Kitchen Set High Standards

One of the important problems during the war was the serving of food to ever-increasing numbers of employees as the business of the Sprague Electric Company rapidly expanded. Manager "Scotty" Graves and his many assistants worked long hours under great handicaps to provide hot foods at all times to the Sprague war workers.

Cafeteria service at the Beaver Street Plant has gone through a number of stages, starting with a modest service in September 1936 in the very location it now occupies on the ground floor to the left of the main entrance. Our star reporter, in interviewing "Scotty", learned that he has been in charge ever since that time and that the Cafeteria was later moved to the top floor at Beaver Street. Little did we realize, as we munched our hamburgers back in those days, that the Log Desk would some day be located almost on the same spot.

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This picture typifies the children in devastated Holland for whom the Sprague employees gave so generously in order that these little ones can have adequate food, school equipment and supplies. The LOG thanks all employees for their prompt, open-handed response. It is the Golden Rule in action.

Congratulations! Old Timers --

683 Employees With Company Over 5 Years

Time Marches On! With amazement the following figures compiled from the files of the Personnel Office were received at the Log Desk. That the years pass quickly and that one becomes a proverbial "old timer" was dramatically brought to mind by this tabulation of our employees' service record with the Sprague Electric Company.

The summary printed below without doubt will prove of great interest not only to the "old timers" but to every Sprague Employee.

Years of Employment			
	Men	Women	Tot.
5 - 9 yrs.....	140	176	316
10 - 14 yrs.....	119	114	233
15 - 20 yrs.....	66	65	131
Over 20 yrs.....	2	1	3
	327	356	683

The grand total of the above figures shows 683 employees have a service record of over five years with the company. Congratulations, "Old Timers."

Radio Parts Business Expected to Rebound With Vigor Characteristic Of American Industry

In a recent statement to RETAILING and quoted also on June 26 in "Radio and Television", Mr. R. C. Sprague, former Parts Division Chairman of the Radio Manufacturers' Association, said that forecasting the immediate future of the Radio Parts Industry is most difficult due to the present uncertain state of affairs. We believe our readers will find of particular interest the following paragraphs from Mr. Sprague's statement of the four chief causes of actual and apparent shortages affecting the Radio and Radio Parts Industries.

"Taken at their face value, statistics released by CPA indicate that 555,000 domestic radio sets were produced in January, 1946; 700,000 in February; 1 million in both March and April" he stated.

"The prewar monthly rate of production was about 1,100,000 sets. Nearly 90 percent of the total sets produced in March and April were table models and only 4 percent were consoles and other models for which the public is so impatiently waiting; and which the radio set manufacturers urgently need to maintain a balanced production. It is

said that thousands of incomplete radio sets are held in storehouses for lack of tubes, speakers, condensers and other essential components. Other thousands of radio chassis are being held for cabinets."

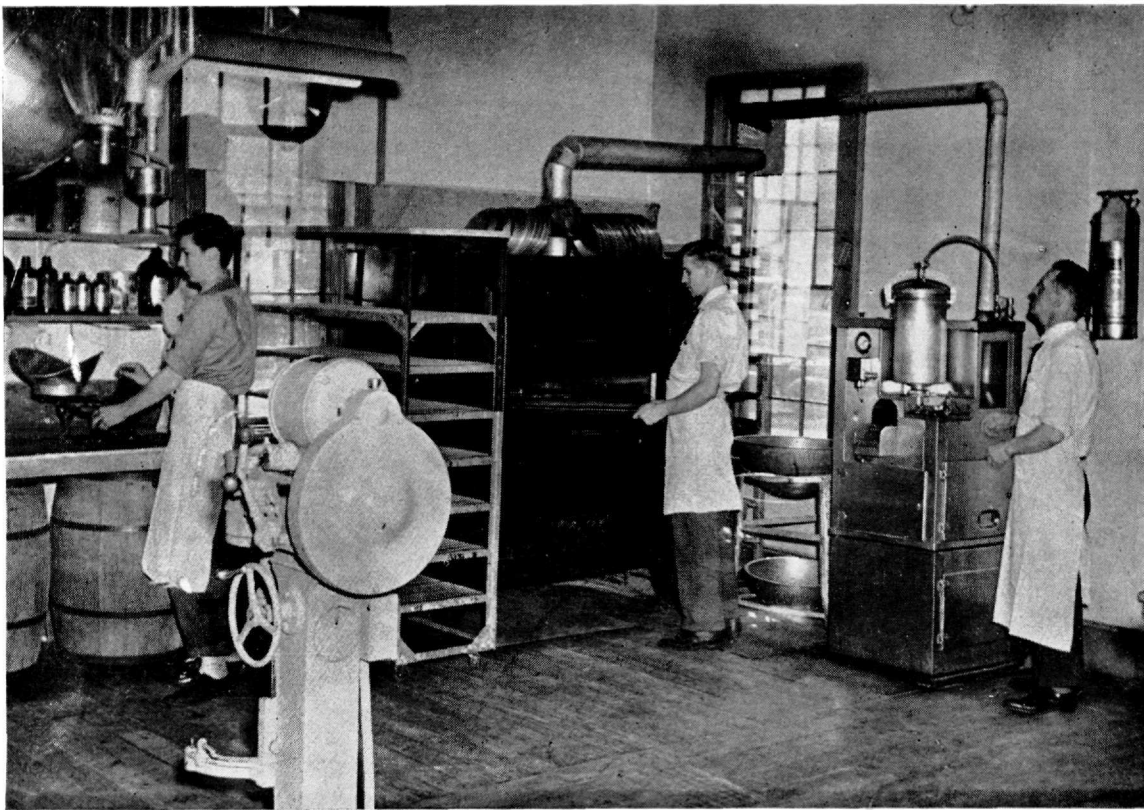
Chief Causes

In Mr. Sprague's opinion, there are four chief causes for the current actual and apparent shortages in radio components in about the following order of importance: shortages of essential materials due primarily to strikes; maladjustments in pricing; unrealistic ordering and expediting of component parts; and reconversion plant and plant facilities delays.

Short supplies of critical materials needed in radio and radio parts manufacture include: *Electrolytic copper*—needed for magnet wire, coils, switches and connectors; *Steel*—for transformer laminations, sheet and strip, fabrication parts; *Tin*—with Government stockpiles rapidly diminishing, CPA announces that control and allocation of tin will be continued to conserve the supply until imports and new sources of supply increase the available tonnage.

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AT YOUR SERVICE . . . "SCOTTY'S" KITCHEN . . .



Where those good pies and doughnuts originate -- in the Spic and Span kitchen located in a separate building on Beaver St. "Joe" Latalia, "Bill" Varesechi and "Scotty" Graves prepare for the hungry parade which makes a bee line for the Cafeteria during lunch and rest periods.

WHEN ATOMIC RAYS STRIKE

Rays coming from atoms in action are powerful and penetrating. To guard against them and to study them, they first must be detected, and fortunately such a device is available. It is known as the Geiger counter—the most sensitive instrument ever to be devised for this purpose.

With it, the presence of a single electron or single beam of X ray "triggers" the instrument, thus emitting a "bark" from a loudspeaker. This counter did record the amount of rays in the air during the Bikini experiments with the atomic bomb. It was used as part of the safety equipment in plants where atomic

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"Every Sprague Worker an Assistant Reporter."

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TEAMWORK and RECONVERSION Sprague at the Bat

Reconversion to peacetime production at Sprague's is not all confined to capacitors and resistors. Baseball is also back on the production schedule and fast getting into high gear. Many new names and much new talent have joined the squad. The outlook for postwar baseball under the Sprague Electric banner looks brighter than ever.

Competitive sports made America strong. Teamwork and Victory are born and bred in American youth. From sandlot teams of teen age beginners to professional champions in the World Series playoffs, Teamwork is the winning keynote.

We look forward to success in this year of "Sports Reconversion" and to many Sprague Electric Championships in the future,—not only in baseball but in basketball and other popular sports. So let's back up our Sprague teams by attendance at games, by words of encouragement to the players, and by giving them that kind of support and build-up which helps produce team spirit, teamwork and champions!

WATCH YOUR STEP — ON VACATION!

If you are planning to go on vacation trips the next few weeks we urge you to watch your step, and that means your driving too. Vacation time is and should be a period of relaxation. But statistics show that we can not relax our attention to safety precautions at any time. In fact, on vacation we are usually doing many things we are not used to doing all year round. Therefore, the chances are greater for accidents. So,—while wishing you every happiness on vacation, the LOG urges you to be on the alert and 'watch your step'.

EVERYWHERE YOU GO ---

And now for better lighting in schools, offices and drafting rooms, you will find a brand new sky effect of evenly-distributed, glareless light. It is a new type of fluorescent indirect lighting.

Sprague Electric Company contributes toward the "ease from eye strain" in this new and better lighting because their ballast capacitor units are used in fluorescent lighting.

The electric fan which plays an important role in hot-weather comfort is also being used to clear out objectionable odors, to dry newly-scrubbed floors and to discourage moths.

Sprague Electric employees contribute to this summer comfort by furnishing paper capacitors which are designed for the smooth operation of electric fans.

Even Mikado comes in for a great deal of attention from the electronic industry. Many of her choker beads, dress ornaments, lip sticks, compacts and other beautifying gadgets are put together by electric-welding devices.

So again, Sprague Electric Company and employees are contributing to Mikado's chic and beauty by furnishing energy storage capacitors used in the electric welding process.

PHOTO OF QUOTATION ON MOTORS BY "ORIGINAL" SPRAGUE ELECTRIC COMPANY

QUOTATION	
SPRAGUE ELECTRIC COMPANY	
527-531 WEST 34th STREET, N. Y. CITY	
In all correspondence regarding this Quotation refer to QUOTATION No. N. 1578G	
New York City, <u>October 21st, 1909</u>	
Mr. Frank J. Sprague,	
165 Broadway,	
New York City.	
Dear Sir:	
We beg to submit to you the following Quotation, which is binding for 15 days only. Price F. O. B. Cars, Lake Kashaqua, N.Y.	
QUANTITIES	UNIT PRICE
MOTORS FOR STONY WOLD SANATORIUM:	
One (1) #7 1/2 frame, round type, 7 1/2 HP, 230 volt, 1050 RPM, shunt wound motor, complete with base frame, split roller, 4 1/2" diameter pulley and automatic release starting box.....	\$171.45
One (1) #1 1/4 frame, round type, 1 1/4 HP, 230 volt, 1500 RPM, motor complete as above, with 1 1/2" diameter pulley.....	26.60
One (1) #8 frame, round type, 1 HP, 230 volt, 675 RPM motor, complete as above with 2" diameter pulley.....	84.70
One (1) #5 frame, round type, 1/2 HP, 230 volt, 850 RPM motor, complete as above with 2 1/2" diameter pulley.....	99.90
ALTERNATE PROPOSAL ON ITEMS 2 & 4	
One (1) #1 frame, round type, 1 HP, 230 volt, 1200 RPM motor complete as above, with 2" diameter pulley to 20" diameter pulley on line shaft.....	60.20
One (1) #2 frame, round type, 1/2 HP, 230 volt, 850 RPM motor complete as above, with 2 1/2" diameter pulley on motor to 20" diameter pulley on shaft.....	74.60
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SPRAGUE ELECTRIC COMPANY	
By <i>W. J. Sprague</i>	

Mr. Frank J. Sprague, father of R. C. Sprague, President of the present Sprague Electric Company, founded the original Sprague Electric Company in 1897. He was a man with many activities and took a deep interest in the Stony Wold Sanatorium. In 1909, the date of this quotation, there was considerable reconstruction going on in the Sanatorium, and Mr. Sprague was acting as an engineering consultant

as a member of the Building Committee.

The Log takes pride in printing this quotation by the original Sprague Electric Company, believing it to be of great historical interest to all our employees and friends, showing as it does, that the Sprague Electric name spans a period of fifty years in the march of progress in the electrical manufacturing industry.

Flight Safety

Air transport service is promised greater safety through the use of light-weight radar equipment, which was developed at MIT by Dr. Lee Durr-bridge during the war. Major contributions to flight safety with the use of radar equipment include: (1) ability to "see" dangerous storm conditions on the path of the flight and thus avoid them. (2) a method of accurate, short-range position fixing. (3) an anti-collision device for instrument and night flying. (4) an obstruction warning device, for the avoidance of mountains, and (5) navigation aid for locations of islands, shore lines, lakes, cities and other prominent landmarks, thereby enabling the navigator to compute drift, ground speed and correct headings.

Landing systems with the use of radar are being developed. With this system, no receiving equipment is required in the plane, but good ground

to air communication with the plane is essential. The system consists of radar screens on the ground on which the plane is visible as a dot of light. One of the operators on the ground, through VHF radio, "talks" the pilot through his landing, lines on the screen enable the operator to direct the pilot to the right or left, or up and down, keeping him on a safe path of approach to a safe landing.

When Rays Strike

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bombs were produced to make certain that workers were protected against harmful rays.

Geiger counters have for years been used in laboratories to measure radium rays, intensity of X rays—and even to detect lost tubes of radium!

It was but one of 7,000 instruments recording the experiments in the Bikini atomic tests.

Bottle Necks In Components - Easing

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nage. Lumber—output in various shop grades is unbalanced. For example, radio cabinet manufacturers depend on 4/4 lumber which is practically unavailable since OPA pricing has made the production of 8/4 lumber more profitable. Shortages of Lead, Tungsten and certain chemicals have added to the difficulties of component manufacturers.

Outlook Not Encouraging

"The outlook for much improvement in current critical material shortages is not encouraging," Mr. Sprague said. "However, we can still feel confidence in the fact that American industry has the habit of rebounding from seemingly knock-out blows.

"The pricing situation shows signs of brightening. Industry and individual price increases sanctioned by OPA are coming through—not always adequate, but designed as the OPA Administrator put it 'to keep the manufacturer at least out of the red.' (Decontrol by OPA of the radio industry has been repeatedly urged).

"Improvement in the unbalanced supply of certain radio components can be expected as rapidly as production can be scheduled more nearly in accordance with the actual needs of the set manufacturers. The fourth drawback—the reconversion of plants and plant facilities, is easing and the next six months will undoubtedly show improvement despite current difficulties in obtaining tools, machinery and plant equipment," he concluded.

Cafeteria, Kitchen Set High Standards

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In the beginning, the kitchen was located in the same building which the Employment Offices now occupy. In 1943, it was moved to a building of its own further up Beaver Street, and you will be interested in the recent photograph of the kitchen and its equipment shown on this page. Mark Sibley is pastry cook, and Lyle Blair, recently returned from the Navy, is meat cook. And by the way, the pastries and meats served at the Brown and Beaver Plants are prepared in this kitchen.

Peak employment in the kitchen and cafeterias during the war years included thirty-three persons. Now, there are fifteen employees, with "Bill" Vareschi as Assistant Manager at the Beaver Street Cafeteria, and "Bill" Filiault, Assistant Manager at the Brown Street Cafeteria.

The branch Cafeteria at Brown Street was improved in 1944 with the addition of a steam table so that the employees could have a full menu in addition to the usual sandwiches, coffee and pies. "Scotty" Graves tells us that during the war, he used to look forward to the years when he would no longer be limited to what he could serve. But he says that food conditions, instead of improving after the war, have grown worse. "You can imagine," he exclaimed, "what it is to get food and to put out a varied menu when even hot dogs are difficult to get."

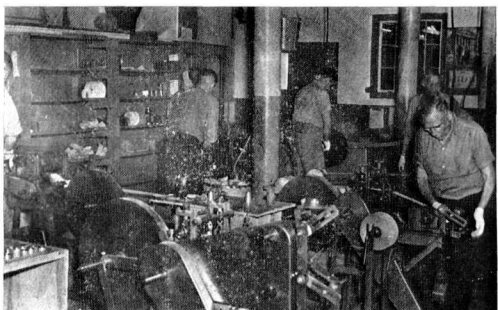
How Do We Fare?

How does our average citizen fare in our American system of Democracy, as compared to the Government-run-everything system? Before the war, the combined life insurance and bank savings in the United States, per capita, averaged \$1,419; in Germany—\$219; Japan—\$114; Italy—\$99.

For every million population, Americans own 226,068 automobiles, Germans—24,800, Italians—11,328, Japs—2,582. On Russia—no statistics. There's your answer!

Flapper's Prayer: "Lead us not into temptation, but tell us where it is and we'll find it."

SOMETHING HAS BEEN ADDED TO FORMATION



"Ernie" Bradley, "Russ" Lussier, Tom Bunting and Fred Boschetti, operating the reolling and slitting machines in the Formation Department.

McConnell - Lally -- Wedding bells rang on June 22nd for Miss Eleanor Anne Lally and Gerald McConnell. The bride formerly worked in the Selkar Department and the bridegroom is employed in the D.T.Q. Department at Marshall Street.

Marcil - Lenhardt -- Miss Bernadette Marie Lenhardt became the bride of Hilaire Isidore Marcil, Saturday, June 22nd. The bride is employed in the Sprague Products Department at the Marshall Street plant.

Kateley - Carroll -- Miss Doris Mae Carroll, R.N. and Walter Cooper Kateley were joined in the holy bonds of matrimony on Saturday, June 22nd. The double ring ceremony was performed. The groom is employed in the Marshall Street Lab.

Downs - Segala -- Miss Angelina Mary Segala and Melwood Roy Downs were married Monday, June 24th, the double ring ceremony being performed. The bride is employed in the Boxing Department.

Coenen - Peloquin -- Miss Denise Clarice Peloquin became the bride of Albert G. Coenen at a double ring ceremony performed on Friday, June 28th. The bride was formerly employed in the Lab at the Brown Street plant.



Mr. and Mrs. Frank Santelli, married January 26, 1946, at Gardner. Mrs. Santelli is the former Beatrice Fucher of the Dry Rolling Department, and Frank now in the Boxing Department was employed in KVA before joining the Service.



Mr. and Mrs. William Charon, Jr., married June 13th. Mrs. Charon was formerly Doris Richer of Block Annex.

Wedding Bells



Adams Skowronski and Dorothy Starsiak, attendants, watch while Mr. and Mrs. Walter Skowronski cut their wedding cake. The young couple were married May 18. Mrs. Skowronski is the former Felicia Leja of Boxing Department.

Alexander - Clark -- Miss Helen Howatt Clark became the bride of John Alexander, Saturday, June 8th. The groom is employed in the Factory Engineering Department.

Bregman - Sherr -- Mrs. Sally G. Sherr and Jack Morris Bregman were united in marriage Friday, June 14th. Sally is employed in the Sample Lab at Brown Street plant.

Doyle - Sutliff -- The marriage of Miss Margaret B. Sutliff to Albert W. Doyle was performed using the double ring ceremony, Saturday, June 15th. The bride is employed in the Section Test Department.

Gaudette - Blanquart -- Saturday, June 15th, Miss Ruth Cecile Blanquart became the bride of Raymond E. Gaudette. Ruth is employed in the Block Test Department.

LaBonte - King -- Miss Lucille Mae King and Henry LaBonte exchanged their "I do's" on Monday, June 17th. Lucille is employed in the D.T.Q. Department at Marshall Street.

DeWaele - Sutton -- Miss Helena J. Sutton, formerly employed in the Check Inspection Department and recently discharged from the Waves, was married to Corp. Arthur J. DeWaele of Fort Belvoir, Va., on Saturday, June 15th.



Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Valotta, married May 25th. Mrs. Valotta was the former Marjorie Hall of PAA.



Mr. and Mrs. Walter Dziegiel, married May 30th. Mrs. Dziegiel was the former Jessie Kapala of Block Annex. Her small cousin, Celia Zawislak was her flower girl.

Hartwig - Lepicier -- Miss Rita M. Lepicier of the Paper Rolling Department became Mrs. Henry C. Hartwig at a double ring ceremony on Saturday, July 6th.



Mr. and Mrs. Newton Peck, married at Holy Family church, Greylock, May 11th. Mrs. Peck is the former "Lil" Duhamel of Ovens Department.

Lesure - Pandell -- Miss Leah G. Pandell and William E. Lesure were married in a double ring ceremony Saturday, June 22nd. The bride is employed in the Section Test Department and the bridegroom is employed in the Ovens Department.

Brooks - Falco -- Miss Eleanor J. Falco and Edward W. Brooks became man and wife on Saturday, June 29th. The bride formerly worked in the P.A.A. Rolling Department at the Brown Street plant.

Timothy - Roy -- Mrs. Mary V. Roy of the P.A.A. Rolling Department at the Brown Street plant became the bride of William J. Timothy on Thursday, July 4th.

Woodside - Zappone -- Miss Carmen Rose Zappone of the P.A.A. Rolling Department was united in marriage to Ralph Edward Woodside, Saturday, July 6th.

LaBonte - Allard -- Miss Lucille F. Allard of the Misc Dry Department at Marshall Street became Mrs. Edward J. LaBonte at a double ring ceremony July 6th.



Mr. and Mrs. Albert Doyle, married June 15th. Mrs. Doyle is the former Peggy Sutliff of Section Test.



Mr. and Mrs. Melford Edmonds, married May 18th. Mrs. Edmonds is the former Ruth Brouillette of PAA Department.

Ames - Urbano -- Miss Gloria Frances Urbano became the bride of Joseph Hermon Ames on Saturday, June 29th. The bride is employed in the Bathing Assembly Department.

Kline - Whitmore -- Miss Marion A. Whitmore and Harold Kline were married Monday, July 2nd. The bride is employed in the P.A.A. Assembly Department at the Brown Street plant.

ENGAGEMENTS

Lepak - Wandrei. The engagement of Miss Helen Lepak to Charles Wandrei has been announced. The wedding will take place in the near future. Miss Lepak is employed in the Block Annex Department.

Pevoski - Pitroff. The marriage date of Miss Victoria Mary Pevoski to Mr. William Martin Pitroff has been set for August 17th. Miss Pevoski is employed in the Boxing Department.

Bourdon - Fortin. Miss Elaine Bourdon of Dry Test has set July 20th as her wedding date. She will be married to Mr. Francis Fortin at Notre Dame church.

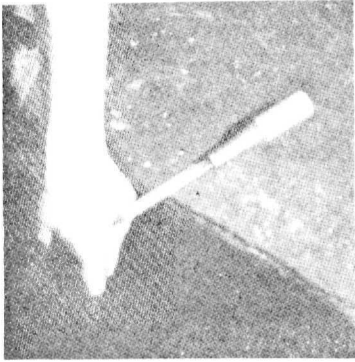
Bissaillon - Leonesio. Marriage intentions of Miss Evelyn Bissaillon to Mr. Hugo Leonesio are announced, the date for the wedding is August 24th. Evelyn is employed in Block Annex.

Bernini-Kroll. Miss Doris Bernini of the PAA Department has announced her approaching marriage to Mr. John S. Kroll. The wedding date is set for Labor Day.



Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lemaire, married June 1st. She is the former Helen Hartman of Dry Rolling.

OUR SAFETY CORNER



A good way to receive a cut or bruise -- leave sharp-edged tools lying too close to edge of table or workbench.

BIRTHS

Daughter—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Peters are the parents of a baby daughter, born June 27, 1946. Mr. Peters is connected with the Application Engineering staff.

Daughter—Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Burt are the parents of a daughter, Barbara Elizabeth, born June 30th. "Larry" works in the Laboratory, and his wife, Jennie, was formerly in Retail Sales.

Daughter—Mr. and Mrs. Edward Tallerico are the parents of a daughter born July 2nd. The father is employed in Dry Rolling Department.

Son—Mr. and Mrs. Hermon Simon are the parents of a son born July 2nd. The mother is the former Corinne Vanier of P.A.A. Inspection.

Son—Mr. and Mrs. Harold Brown are the parents of a son born July 4th. The mother is Sarah, of B.T.A.



Section Test

By Margaret Isherwood

Peggy Sutliff Doyle is with us again after her honeymoon — looking, oh, so happy. Best of luck and happiness to you.

We also extend our best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. William Lesure who were married June 22, 1946.

Yours truly and her husband spent a week end in Albany, recently.

Say, girls, have you noticed how quiet our Department is this week? Reason: Joe Downey is away on his vacation.

F. P. Drys

By Rose Cilli

Vacations enjoyed and over for: Mary Marra, Mary Roberts, Irene Jones, Lil Boyer, Dot Rice, Margaret O'Neil, Ken Hill, Joe Filiault and Grace McConnell.

A speedy recovery to Delphine Ragoli. Hurry back, Del.

A cordial welcome to Jerry LaRoache...and welcome back also to Wayne Damon.

Irene Burke is quite happy now, her brother, Jerry has returned to the states from the Pacific. Jerry was a former Sprague employee.

Good to see "Jo" Magin and Minnie Hamlen back again. We missed you girls.

Can't anyone spot our new "love" affair? Why haven't you heard? Look around and you will see it.

What our department can't do without: Mary Marra's humor, Grace McConnell's jokes, Lil Boyer's bonus, Dot Potter's laugh, Frank Gassett's aid and Olive Coddaira's activeness.

Sympathy is extended to Roy Cook on the death of his father.

Block Test

By "Mickey" Koczela

Frances Solari and Ruth Arrighini spent their vacation at Lake Shaftsbury and had a very enjoyable time...Bernie Bordwin spent hers visiting relatives in Canada...Helen Harrington enjoyed her vacation visiting relatives in Vermont.

Congratulations to Barbara King and her husband. They celebrated their second wedding anniversary July 8th...Congratulations also to Adele Solari and her husband, who celebrated their ninth wedding anniversary June 25th.

We would like to know where Grace Wyman got her mosquito bites?

We were all sorry to have Barbara King leave us but we hope to see her again soon. Best of luck, Barb.

Payroll

By Priscilla Windover

A very hearty welcome to Josephine Grande, Betty Hamilton, Evelyn Harrington and Susan Brower.

With all the interesting new "neighbors" in the Time Study department, Payroll has voted to accept the "good neighbor" policy! !

Ruth Brown spent her vacation motoring to Yellowstone National Park and other points of interest.

In a phrase description of Betty Barrow's stay with us—"Short but sweet."

Eunice Swartzler is spending her vacation quietly at home.

It's nice having Ida Lovette back with us again.

Bathtub Assembly

By Ruth Haskins

Gloria Urbano of our Department became Mrs. Joseph Ames on June 29th. Her sister, Norma, also of this Department was a bridesmaid.

Wedding bells continue to ring in our Department: Mary Cilli to be married July 20th to Americo Giansante of Clinton, Mass., and Rose Harrington will be married July 21st to Paul Dilego.

Everett Unis, formerly of this Department, and son of Mary, has enlisted in the Navy following his graduation from high school. He worked with us during vacation last summer.

Ida Decoteau is back with us, looking fine, after a recent operation.

Sample Lab

By the Shadow

Have you seen our "art" gallery lately? Sure has raised the morale of the Laboratory a lot—so the fellows say.

Our boys of the Department will never have "B.O." as long as that box of powder holds out — Isn't that right, Dot Gageant?

First prize to Jetta Dunn as "Sleeping Beauty." However, it's not advisable to sleep with your mouth open—too many flies and two-legged pests abound.

"Russ" Cook must think Billy Blay is a sour pickle. Maybe that's why our "Cassanova" received a nice cool vinegar shampoo.

It must be something, "Mac" Filiault, to have the boys all gather around while you answer the phone.

Someone thought our "Pin-up" dolls would catch cold, and dressed them properly in skirts—but not for long, though,—Billy saw to that.

This Department was quite a place the day of the Louis-Conn fight. Everyone argued over who would win. The "boss" picked Conn and took a razzing from the Louis fans. Came the morning after, and there were many long faces in the room—the "boss" was quiet, but received our congratulations on being a better sport on losing than the man he picked to win.

Ask Don Fortini why he made a return visit to the carnival and watch "that look" come into his eyes! Lah de dah! !

Machine Shop

By "Every Worker, a Co-Reporter"

"Bud" Bartlett spent the last week end in Paris. No, my friends, not Paris, France, but Paris, N. Y.

One of our single men graduated recently from a school of etiquette. Witness how gracefully he bids a girl goodbye — he kisses her hand in farewell.

Congratulations to our local Eagles organization. In the recent state competition held in Greenfield, they copped three prizes. The Drum Corps received the state championship; while the local organization received a prize for having the largest number of men in line carrying a large American flag; and the Degree Team won in the ritualistic competition. Quite a number of Sprague men helped to carry off these honors.

Just returned from vacations: Rudy Drobiak, Edgar and Donat Remillard, Harry Trombley, Lou Morocco, T. Craig Ferguson, Schuyler Dean, Herb Surr, Bert Peters, John Merritt and Russ Lanoue.

VACATION SHORTS - -



To Start the Vacation Season...

Marie-Rose Lussier of Shipping Dept. poses for a vacation picture.

If you look closely, you may catch a glimpse of the lake in the background -- but who cares to look at the lake?

Paper Rolling

By Hubba Hubba

A party was given in honor of Tina Vareschi at Fort Massachusetts. A lovely supper was served and Tina was presented a gift.

So long to "Buckles" Harrington and "Flo" Kondy, transferred to other departments.

Tina Vareschi, Jeannette Roy and Lucy Ciempa are on leaves—we miss you.

Vacations: "VT" Scott — at Newburyport, Mass.; "Tony" Dupuis — in Canada where she was a bridesmaid at her brother's wedding; Theresa Norcross and Mary Dziega enjoyed vacations at home; Eva LeScarbeau — a week at New Bedford, Mass. (Hear she attended a formal while there.)

Esther Williams, that bathing beauty, now has keen competition from Martha Wittig—not only in swimming, but in diving.

There's another Wittig personality in the Department—Two's enough (too much racket with "Muttys" already.)



Helen Scarfone spends her vacation amid the fruit, flowers and sunshine of Miami, Fla. She is in the Brown Street PAA Dept.

Ovens Department

By Dukie Abraham

Vacations—Nina Gerry spent an enjoyable two weeks in Springfield...Florence Clement had a wonderful time at Nantasket Beach, Holyoke, and New York...and Kay Boulerville spent hers in New York City.

Stacia Menty celebrated her birthday recently. How does it feel to be a year older?

We wish to welcome Alice White, and hope you enjoy working with us.

Lil Peck is back with us after a month of honeymooning in Vermont and Canada.

The most popular person in the Ovens Department — Joe Messina, of course.

Margaret Pedercini has a new job crushing...Crushing what, Margaret?

A. C. Line

By Vi Short

Quotes:

Bill Mahoney: "Every time you open your mouth, you say something."

Ray Quadland: "Who has 3 cents? I don't want to hit a man for nothing."

Betty Bogus: "He who laughs, laughs, laughs, laughs."

Ray Racette: "By 5 o'clock, I'll have to stick toothpicks under my eyelids to keep 'em open."

Shaker Ferris: "You break my feelings."

John Fortini: "Everything I eat goes to my stomach."

The laundry situation must be tough! It is a fact that "Dugie", after walking home from North Adams a few nights ago, came to work the following morning wearing a lady's pajama top for a shirt.

The Upper Offices

By Doris Roy

A happy group of 16 gathered at Fort Massachusetts in honor of "Rae" Bongiolatti. Those present were: Effie Bishop, Jane Douglas, Evelyn Fairchild, "Barb" Reopell, Marion Pinsonneault, Fran Fitzgerald, Lydia Camadine, Wilmer Bradford, Alice Gomeau, Lillian Clermont, Mildred Forgea, Lois Paradise, Millie Satko, Fran Dobrowolski, and Doris Roy. "Rae" was presented a beautiful bed jacket and bottle of cologne, which everyone agreed was very nice after dobbing themselves with it.

Happenings during the evening: We insist Alice Gomeau must have taken some of the chicken home. A person just can't eat so much chicken in so little time...A pocketbook is a handy thing to have, but not when you forget it, is it, Effie?...On some people a cigarette looks good, but only in the hand. Not mentioning any names, but Lois sure did turn heads with her new technique of smoking...Everyone is gifted with something and "Rae" with the knack of eating lobster. (Did anyone ever see so many bones left over from such a small lobster? Or do lobsters have bones, I wonder)...Who looked lost down at the far end of the table, none other than our bundle of wit, "Barb" Reopell...Marion, was that a look of disappointment or wasn't it, when the waitress announced the Log Roll had come to an end. (Have a heart, one dessert is enough for anyone.)

Best of luck to a girl who was really swell knowing and working with. We'll all miss you, "Rae".

The welcome mat is out for "Fran" Fitzgerald, who is replacing "Rae" for the summer. She previously worked in that same Department a year ago. Nice having you back, Fran.

Main Office

Things don't seem quite right around here without Blanche Fallon, who left us a couple of weeks ago. She was presented sterling candlestick holders and a matching candy dish. Blanche is now living in Halifax, Mass.

Jo and Katie Bryce spent their vacation sight seeing in Canada.

We welcome our new co-worker Dorothy Boutwell, who formerly worked at Brown Street.

We said goodbye to Tom St. John last week. Tom is going back to school this fall.

Speedy was the recuperation of Fred Seddon of the Purchasing Department. On Friday, June 14th he entered the Plunkett hospital for a tonsilectomy and was back at his desk the following Monday, June 17th. "Remarkable man", says we.

Dry Test

By Rita Johnson

Isabel Hyndman was pleasantly surprised at a birthday party Friday, June 26th by the girls of the Department. She was presented a gift and birthday cake.

Dry Test welcomes the many new comers to the Department.

Sympathy is extended to Roy Cook, our former supervisor, on the death of his father.

The girls of Dry Test are pleased to learn that Arvilla Maxwell is up and out again following her accident.

Best wishes to Theresa Betourney Garofano who was married recently. Theresa formerly was employed in this department.

Sorry to hear that a sore throat was the cause of your absence, Marjorie Hauptfleisch.

Vacations: Helen Lesage motored to Montreal, Canada...Alice Filiault enjoyed a trip to Niagara Falls...Eunice Rice spent her vacation with her family at Savin Rock, Conn...Irene O'Dell and Alvina Schonfelder are back after two weeks, vacationing around...John Pierce enjoyed a vacation resting.

Engineering Drafting

By Bob Garner

Congratulations to Robert Windover and Robert Slade in their recent achievement. They graduated from Drury High School, June 16th.

Having seen the garden of George Labombard, I say he has something to brag about. It is one of the best in the community.

Harold Rarik enjoyed his vacation at home resting and picnicking. Bob Garner spent his vacation in the wilds of Canada fishing.

Can Shop and Plating

By Lucille Little

Welcome to the Department: Esther Bartholomew, Ruth Embry and Elmer Fountain.

The "glamour boys" (Nick Mantello and Leo Bombardier) really have the girls falling for them—they keep their feet in the aisle. The boys are better known as the James Brothers because they're so fast on the draw.

Walt Rogowski and Tommy Dean are the Siamese twins of the Can Shop—but why doesn't Walt buy Tommy an ice cream cone during lunch period. Walt hasn't a new "buddy", has he? A few of us have heard of the tiny town of Greylock—but never so much as we do now—for Frank Mirandi lives there, and according to him, there's no place on the map that can compare with it.

The boys coached "Red" Gorczakowski in the right direction—his wife gets his paycheck, and Red keeps the stubs. They help fatten his wallet, anyway.

Demand of the Department: "Howie" Isherwood insists he be assigned to working on covers.

Warning to all farmers: Keep your pastures well guarded! We have a lover of horseflesh in our midst, better known as Shirley Degere.

James Scarbo is with us after an extended vacation. We hope his outside activities do not remove him from us too often.

"Ness" Robert attended the Eagles' convention in Greenfield.

Lena Zappula journeyed to the "Mother Town" on a secret mission. Full details cannot be disclosed, but authentic information comes from a high ranking official of the Can Shop who asks that we do not reveal his name.

Tubular Assembly

By Gert Hall

Vacations: Kay Marra spent a week's vacation at Narragansett Pier. Henry LaBonte spent his (destination unknown), we think a second honeymoon. Dot Blanchard toured through Canada on hers.

Flash! Frances Gayda is the possessor of a pair of 51 gauge nylon stockings sent from California!!

These are happy days for Adele Shaker. Her daughter, Janet, is spending the summer recess at home.

Maude Waska is playing her favorite role. She has a little Indian girl staying with her. (Did I say little! She's almost six feet tall.)

A speedy recovery to Eddie Morin. Hope to see him back with us soon.

The Carnival Came to Town

Well, we have all settled back into our every-day talk again, after beholding the seven wonders of the world. Each day we heard a more gruesome tale about the girl who bit the snake and the man who swallowed a live mouse. Let us not forget to mention the thrilling ride in the rocket or our trip through the fun house. We stared goggle-eyed at the girl shows while stuffing ourselves with cotton candy and frozen custard. Well, we all had fun getting dirty and blistered.

Block Annex

By Esther Driscoll

Vacation Time

Marieange Contois enjoyed a vacation with her family at Hampton Beach, N. H. Esther Driscoll spent hers at home settling her apartment. Doris Richer became Mrs. Charon while on vacation and spent her honeymoon in New York. Rita Mongeon also changed her name to Mrs. Clifford while vacationing—their wedding trip was in Connecticut.

Lena Bianco has departed from our midst—indefinitely. We'll miss her friendly way and pleasant smile.

Pvt. Bernard Flaherty is now stationed in Salzburg, Austria. He was formerly in our Department.

A greenback shower was held recently in honor of Evelyn Bissailon who will marry Hugo Leoneosio. Lots of fun was had by those attending.

F. P. Ovens

By Loretta Milisiewski

Jean Cuddeback spent an enjoyable week end in Newburg, N. Y. with relatives.

Congratulations and best wishes to Leah Pandell Lesure and her husband. Speedy recovery to Kathleen Lewis. "Good-bye" to two of our co-workers, Pauline LaBonte and Orella Robare, and "Hello" to our new co-workers, Eleanor Dobbert, Mary Jane Ponte, Lorraine Brooks, Clara Fitzpatrick, Thekla Moresi and Beatrice Shepard. Hope you like working with us.

Vacations were enjoyed by Wilfred Roy, Austin Rogge and Evelyn Sherman.

Sympathy to Esther Volpi whose father-in-law passed away recently.

Engineering Specs

By Hazel Goodale

We are happy to welcome two new members to the staff of the Engineering Department, Ann Kearns and Robert McPherson.

Doris Hiser was the recipient of parting gifts of lingerie and a blanket from her friends and incidentally is also the recipient of a lovely diamond ring from a "well-known source."

We hope Mr. Fairchild is enjoying a good rest and pleasant vacation at his summer camp in Williamstown—we envy you, Charlie.

There is no doubt that Elaine Goodrich and Doris Langer like to swim—or are you girls just getting warmed up for that vacation? Those are nifty bathing suits you've been demonstrating lately.

Friends were happy to welcome Verna Lamore Cribari for a visit a few days ago. It is good to have you visit us, Verna—come again real soon.

How's Your Lipstick, Ladies -- Have a Booklet.

Give-away booklets of lipstick tissue may become as common as the free paper matches that come with cigarettes and cigars. A match manufacturer is making the new booklets and beauty parlors, cosmetic shops, drug and department stores will give them away. A new job-making industry is born. It may not reach the 200,000,000,000 mark of the match booklets—but it's a good idea!

Ladies -- Here's Your Nylons!

Ladies—do you wonder why nylons are so scarce—here's one solution: A manufacturer is making an airplane gasoline tank which will hold 100 gallons of fuel. It can be folded and compressed without damage, to the size of a handbag, and it weighs but a fraction of ordinary tanks...this is but another indication of industry's constant search for better ways of doing things...or, is it? as far as the ladies are concerned.

MARSHALL STREET "Memos"



Rita and Catherine DePari, twin daughters of Lucy DePari of Miscellaneous Drys, Marshall Street, were capped twice this season—once when they graduated from the local high school, and again, as Nurses Aides at the local hospital.

Rolling

By Erminia Sweeney

Mae Farinon and Dot Mellillo enjoyed their vacations. Phyllis King substituted for Mamie.

Incidentally, Mamie Farinon seems to be very far out of this world. Could it be a certain someone?

Joe Vitro says he has cut his bread down to one slice a meal. That cuts his bread down to almost enough butter for it.

Glad to hear you are coming along alright, Irving Collins, and hope to see you back soon.

Ruth Harris is our Avon girl.

Yours Truly missed your party last week, Edna Mae Burnett. Edna Mae has been ill and the girls bought her a gift. Hope to see you back soon, Edna.

The heat these last few days is terrific. Even Red Garner's genial nature seems to be suffering a setback. We extend a hearty welcome to all our new girls.

Roma Rungay is strictly "Hubba-Hubba" with her sun back dress.

"W. E." Department

By Juliette Bourgeois

Vacations:

Alice Maselli—Detroit, Mich.
Anna Kirby, Angie Girenti—

at home.

Kay Marianni—Detroit, Mich.

Rita McClintock—Boston, Mass.

Leona Lamoureux—Montreal, Can.

"Vici" Yeargin spent the week end in Cleveland, Ohio.

Jean Whitney, Mary and Dot Moore spent Memorial Day in N. Y. How about telling us more about that airplane ride, girls?

What would happen if: Anita Wojnicki worked a full week and Frances Alderman was out for a day.

Anyone interested in taking dancing lessons inquire of Margaret Taft. Please do not ask why.

Our skipper, Bill Mendell, is sure working hard these days painting that boat of his. He'll soon be taking it to Lake Champlain. Well, Bill, you won't have to worry about the waves up there as you did at Cheshire Harbor.

Gerald McConnell spent two weeks at the Adirondacks. Quite the place to spend a honeymoon.



How's Your Garden?

"Just a bit of good-natured brag", writes B. Frank Mountford of the Check Inspection Department. "How have the other gardeners done? On June 22nd, we dug our first potatoes and had a good boiling of peas for supper."

Editorial note: Congratulations, Mr. Mountford—you have a way with you, coaxing a garden to respond like that!

Shipping, Cancellation and Carton Stockroom

By the Gold Dust Twins

Who is the "Chief" in the Cancellation Department? Ask Miles Heath. By the way, Chief Miles Heath spent a two weeks' vacation at Hedges Lake, Cambridge, N. Y. It is rumored he brought 2 cases of Branch, nothing like a brunch sandwich. Next time you order something for your car, Miles, make sure you know what you want. You will never find a better exhaust pipe for your car.

Whew? What a breeze. No, that wasn't a breeze, but Emma Mutart running to work. When the clock strikes eight, you see Emma coming in the doorway, breathless but nevertheless smiling a sleepy, "Good morning." Well perhaps she has a reason for this daily Dagwood race. (Reducing). Never mind Emma, you always manage to get there.

Al Benoni, when are you going to learn the difference between a cigarette machine and a juke box? Al puts money in the juke box and patiently waits for cigarettes.

Mr. Mountford enjoyed a two weeks vacation at Asbury Park, N. J.

If you have dancing in your mind when you attend the dance at the Armory—keep out of John Skorpinski and Reggie Rowett's way. They like plenty of floor space.

Our little kittens are beginning to show signs of curiosity. The other morning four little heads were peeping down the elevator shaft. Bernie Levesque just raves and raves about their antics.

Joe Daniels (Mary Daniel's hubby): "Please, oh, please—keep those bottles quiet."

John (Muscles) Skorpinski, who likes to combine fishing with swimming is displaying a beautiful coat of tan.

At least one from our department makes the front page—Reggie Rowett, color guard in the Greenfield Eagles State Convention parade, Sunday, June 30th.

Ah! How quiet and peaceful is the Shipping Room. After 2 months of pounding, hammering and grinding, the Bah Be Ri Bo Machine of the Model Room is gone. Let's hope that they don't get ideas about experimenting on another machine.

We will let John Alexander tell you about his experience with a motor boat on Lake Champlain.

The boys predicted they would have flowers in bloom for the 4th of July, on the 2nd, lo and behold, a beautiful blue morning glory in the flower box.

If you like duets have Mario Magnani and Evnie Belleau sing, "Potatoes in the Oven."

THE YOUNGER SET



Top row: Judith Ann Poplaski, daughter of Esther of B.T.A.; Shirley E. Swan, niece of Caroline Grant of Block Test; Claudette Mareil, daughter of Sylva, of Factory Engineering. Bottom row: Bonnie and Kathleen Gleba, daughters of Dorothy, of Dry Rolling; Alberta Rae Cilli, niece of Rose, of F. P. Line; Jean H. Dupree, daughter of Flora, of Dry Rolling; and Patricia A. Stanton, daughter of Francis, of KYA Station II.



"Tiptoe through the tulips" or what have you. Edith Shaw of K. V. A.

Miscellaneous Drys
By Eddie O'Neil

Rolland Roberts has been seen walking a certain someone down Marshall Street every noon. Who is she, Rolland?

Roger Vincelette spent his vacation somewhere on Lake Champlain. Trying to get away from that certain girl, Rog?

Joe Davis has just returned from an enjoyable time at Atlantic City. You are looking mighty fine, Joe.

Flash Racette has been seen shopping at the Baby's Counter in the Boston Store. We didn't know, Flash!

Who is the guy on the ovens that claims he can drink eight twelve ounce bottles of beer in half an hour? Could it be "Chuck" Felix telling tall stories again?

Your reporter observed two girls from the testing table weighing themselves on the freight scale the other day. Losing any weight, girls?

Cecile Risch is getting absent minded. She walked home the other night and left her car in the parking lot. When she got home she asked her husband where the car was and then remembered where she left it, had to walk back after it.

It is rumored that "Baldy" Jammallo is going to get a "porcupine" for the summer. I wouldn't advise it, Baldy.



Sample Lab
The "Eyes and Ears"

A little department all our own
Loud and noisy, it seems like home:
Frank Gregalis and his corny jokes,
Harry Nolte and the cigars he smokes.
Blanche Bourdon and her quiet ways,
Mary Markland always in a daze.
Rita Mulqueen and her crazy inventions,
Sally Bregman and her devilish intentions.
Then the Abuisis, working and clowning,
And Dora Grant—never frowning.
Lesz Boranolini at her resistor machine,
Ellen Perras with a smile like a dream.
Ann Watts with her pretty blonde hair,
Gladys Markland with that distant stare.
Loretta Bezzie in her stylish clothes,
Alma Finardi without any hose.
*Any resemblance between this and prose,
Read with your eyes, while holding your nose.*

We miss our Italian personality gals,
Alma Finardi and Helen Burzimati.
Hope you both come back real soon.
Best wishes to Sally Sherr Bregman,
who was married recently.

Maintenance and
Machine Shop
By "Little Lulu"

Harold Bohl made the headlines with his spectacular 1-2-3- and-out play in a recent ball game, Beaver vs Brown Street. Harold was so busy telling the other players what to do that he forgot to hit the ball when he was at bat!

Charlie (Rhythm) Dean is having boat trouble again. Did I say *again*. I mean *yet*. Charlie's boat now lies at the bottom of Barber's Pond. Last year, it was Bog Pond. Tell us, Charlie, do you ever get a chance to row that boat of yours?

Harry Estes is enjoying two weeks' vacation at Barber's Pond. They tell me he is sleeping under a tree because all the cabins are rented. Incidentally, Harry is the proprietor.

The title "best natured" fellow of Brown Street goes to "Wash" Santelli. You certainly can take it, "Wash".

If ever in the midst of a conversation, Frank Cumberland says, "Let's see now, that's .045 over,"—think nothing of it, his mind is just on his work.

"Limpy" De Paoli, "pin up machinist for P.A.A. Rolling" was seen with what looked like medals pinned all over his shirt. The boys thought at first these were good conduct medals, but upon looking closer found they were just little knick knacks the girls had pinned on him. "Limpy" says he is collecting them for his car.

What takes you up street every noon, Grant Hamilton — blonde, brunette or redhead?

"Vic" Lampiasi recently enjoyed a two weeks' vacation.

We wish to extend our sympathy to Morris Jepson on the loss of his wife.

P.A.A. Rolling
By Laura Doran

We wish to welcome all the new rollers to the fold and hope you'll enjoy your work.

Sorry to have Alice Haddad and Mary Scarfone leave us, but know you are fond of your old gang in the Resistors.

Hearts and flowers...stags and showers...and candy and cigars. The past few weeks have been eventful, and we wish good luck and many years of happiness to our recent brides and brides-to-be. (We're puzzled as to where they will all find apartments with the housing shortage)...In the midst of the wedding chimes, came the wail of a baby girl whose proud daddy is Jimmie Zabak...Congratulations and thanks for the treat, Jim.

"Toni" Lavigne—we miss you—hope you return soon...and we're glad to see Margaret Petravice back.

Mabel Therriault spent her vacation at Saratoga Lake—just to look at her, you know she had a good time.

Helen Cutler—why not root for a champion team—or do you really think the Red Sox are so good.

In a cute black dress and sandals, our Rita Siciliano with her upsweep hairdo looks so-o-o nice!

We have with us John D. No, not Rockefeller, but Rady, winner of a recent pool, and girls, he was really surprised when he won.

Warning to vacationists: Do acquire a beautiful tan like Gena Trenti's—but don't get burned to a crisp...Of course the Indiana sun is really hot, isn't it, "Toot"?

Wire Coating
By Betty Jangrow

As June came to an end, three of us in this Department looked forward to our annual vacations...Corina Tatro spent hers traveling through Canada... Mary Pickwell enjoyed a camping tour through scenic New England...as for yours truly, I enjoyed the Vermont fresh air and sunshine in the company of two fishermen,—my husband and son. (I had my fill of trout.)

S P O R T S

FORMER COLLEGE STARS TO STRENGTHEN
SPRAGUE BASEBALL TEAM

Sprague sports fans remember well, the records of Fielding Simmons and "Tank" Wilson, two outstanding athletic stars, and hope that their addition to the Sprague Electric Company will also mean much to the Sprague athletic activities. Simmons was captain of the strong Williams football team of '37 and a catcher on the baseball team, while Wilson played end on the gridiron squad and captained the 1941 basketball team at Brown University.

Your reporter remembers Simmons as No. 53 at the full back position, and thrilled to his line-smashing ability and aggressive defensive work. Also Simmons had the knack of handling pitchers and could drive a long ball.

"Tank" Wilson captained one of the finest teams ever to be molded at Brown University. He played a magnificent game at guard and in addition to being the team's best defensive man, was a prolific scorer. He was an exceptional pass receiver and many

opponents were severely jarred when they tried in vain to turn his end.

Both men enlisted in the Navy—Simmons serving at Chapel Hill, N. C. as an athletic officer and Wilson served 3½ years as a fighter pilot.

With Bob Garner, a former pro with the New York Giants, the addition of these men to the Beaver office should mean a step forward in the success of athletic sports for Sprague Electric Company.

Sprague Softball Team in Winning
Position -- 1st Half

The Sprague Electric Softball team is in a good position to win the first half softball crown. With but three games remaining, Coach Abuisi's boys having lost only two thus far, are tied with McKinley Square of Adams. We will have the entire first half figures of the League standing, also the Sprague batting leaders in the next issue.

—B. Bullett



Al Peters of Receiving, and Edmond Sharron of Marshall St. Stockroom, find this catch was just what they dreamed of -- and materialized on a trip to Jackman, Me.

P.A.A. Waxing
By Rita Samia

Have you noticed how empty the room is without Grace Denno? Hurry back, we miss your sunny disposition.

Harry Arbour and "Mike" Grande spent an enjoyable week end in New York, recently, fishing. Have Harry tell you all about the ones he caught.

Flying low and circling the home of Ellen Davis is our friend, "Old Doc Stork." Here is wishing the family luck.

Will wonders never cease? First, the atomic bomb and now, fish from out of nowhere *landing in the road ready for someone to gather up and eat*. This happened to Harry and Mike on their way to Adams on June 30th—something they will always remember? ? ?

I wonder what would happen if Mabel Moran punched in before six o'clock? Mabel's favorite song is, "Time Waits For No One."

Mighty quiet around here isn't it, fellows, with the girls on their vacations?

P.A.A. Inspect and Test
By Elsie Leja

Sorry folks, haven't much news for this issue. When vacations are over and things are normal, I will try and make up for it.

Rita Samia believes in getting a seat in the front row when it comes to visiting the "Hula" girl show.

Eva Brown was a little absent-minded recently. She came all the way into the room and up to the clock to punch, with her umbrella still up. Tch-tch, Eva.

Grace Arigoni will, on request, sing you her version of, "Because".

Our Problem Child

Here's a guy I'm sure you know—Who leans all day upon his elbow. Now and then the stick he takes And makes the rounds, the girls to wake, He gets along with the work, it's true As he lies and sleeps the whole day through.

"Oh work, Oh work — alas alack! *Sighing*," he cried, "I'll break my back."

Dodging *an art*, we'd say And *help* who makes it pay. Our *clerk* *help* from *him* is slim If you don't believe it—just try and find Jim.

—Blackie

Editor's Note: Any resemblance to any person is purely coincidental.

Junior Partner (to pretty stenographer): "Are you doing anything on Sunday evening, Miss Dale?"

Steno (hopefully): "No, not a thing."

Junior Partner: "Then try to be at the office earlier Monday morning, will you?"

On a crowded car: "Madam, would you like me to get you a strap?"

"No, thank you, I have one."

Then, would you mind letting go of my necktie?"

Caller: "Is your mother engaged?"

Little Boy: "I think she's married."

Bullett and Russell



Foreman Adam Novak of Dry Rolling Department does right well for himself, when fishing at Jackman, Maine.

Sprague Team Strengthened
For Second Half of Race

Manager Hank Gamari of the Sprague Baseball team has greatly strengthened his team for the second half race of the Northern Berkshire Twilight League. Among the newest acquisitions and most prominent are "Tank" Wilson, former Brown University Star, and Fielding Simmons, a star catcher at Williams College some seven years ago. Both athletes are capable of hitting a long ball, something that was lacking on the club up to now. Another newcomer who is sure to be of help is Gordon Neville who led the Drury team in hitting this past season, posting an average of .343.

If Manager Gamari can come up with a winning pitcher, the Sprague entry will be a tough foe for all comers in the second half.

B. Bullett

Radio Highways Expanded

When the federal government began policing the air spectrum in 1911, after the passage of the first radio legislation, it was concerned only with a few ocean-going steamers. Today, the government through the Federal Communications Commission is confronted with the problem of preventing traffic snarls or law violation on radio highways, which according to present plans, will carry increased traffic within the next few years. The pre-war limit of usable spectrum space was 300,000 kilocycles, which may be increased to 30,000,000 kilocycles.

The Commission looks ahead to a time when broadcast stations will be increased from 1000 to 1400; frequency modulation stations from 50 to 3000; television stations from six to 200 or possibly 300; radio-equipped planes from 3,000 to 50,000; citizens' walkie-talkie units from none to 200,000; the amateur radio operators from 60,000 to 100,000; not to mention other equipment concerned with two-way service for autos and taxis; radio-equipped railroads; and radio for city fire departments.

In addition there will be thousands of other channels for radar; point-to-point communications; for diathermy and industrial heating equipment; and ship-to-shore communication.

The Commission realizes the headaches in store for it, when it assumes the policing of the enlarged spectrum activities, interference from diathermy and other electrical machines can cause confusion in the ether—to say nothing of the fact that the addition of many new airliners and the advent of many private flyers will add to the burden of locating and furnishing directions to lost planes.

